

Living Right: Righteousness vs. Religion

Matthew 23:27




Romans 7:15

“I don’t understand what I do. For what I want to do I don’t do, but what I hate I do!”

2 Corinthians 12:9

*“But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.”
Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me.”*



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Matthew 23:27-28

*"²⁷ Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You are like whitewashed tombs, which **look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are full of the bones of the dead and everything unclean.** ²⁸ In the same way, on the outside you appear to people as righteous but on the inside you are full of hypocrisy and wickedness."*

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John 8:1-11

¹ but Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. ² At dawn he appeared again in the temple courts, where all the people gathered around him, and he sat down to teach them. ³ The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group ⁴ and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery. ⁵ In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?" ⁶ They were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him.

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But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger. ⁷ When they kept on questioning him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." ⁸ Again he stooped down and wrote on the ground.

⁹ At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there. ¹⁰ Jesus straightened up and asked her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?"

¹¹ "No one, sir," she said.

"Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin."

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 - A proper response is obedience.

Living it...

- ▶ It's not about looking good.
- ▶ It's about living right
- ▶ Get up, and go...
 - *“Go now and leave your life of sin.”*